REMARKS

All the claims were rejected over Iggulden. *Inter alia*, claim 1 calls for generating a graphical user interface before the operating system has booted in response to detection of a user input. Thus, the interface must be generated without the operating system having been booted.
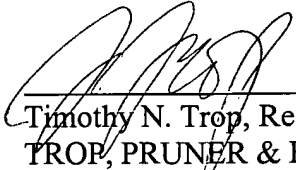
In support of the rejection of this element almost 200 lines of text are cited. None of these lines have anything to do with generating a graphical user interface before the operating system has booted. The comments accompanying the rejection are not understood. Regardless of whether embedded controller type appliances are encompassed within the claim, any such embedded appliance type device would have to display a graphical user interface before the system boots and it must do so in response to detection of a user input.

Therefore, reconsideration of the rejection of claim 1 is requested. On the same basis, reconsideration of the rejection of claims 11 and 21 and all the dependent claims is respectfully requested.

In view of these remarks, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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